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Dear Director Kelley:

September 5, 1975

Acting under the Freedom of Information Act, I request access to the following FBI documents relating to the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. in Memphis, Tennessee, April 4, 1968:

1. Bullet comparison photomicrographs of the evidence bullet and the test bullets made by your ballistics expert, Mr. Robert A. Frazier.
2. Results of laboratory examinations of the evidence bullet.
3. Results of the microscopic examination of the windowsill in the bathroom at 422½ Main Street, Memphis, from which the murder weapon was allegedly fired.
4. Photographic enlargements of the dent in the window-sill and of that part of the rifle which allegedly caused the dent.

I have seen your letter to my colleague, Mr. Haley, in response to his request in the matter of George Wallace and realize you are snowed under with FOIA requests. However, I would appreciate your expediting this as much as possible. Our program is scheduled for broadcast this fall.

Sincerely,



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April 15, 1975
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

The Deputy Attorney General
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20531

Dear Sir:

On behalf of Mr. Harold Weisberg I am requesting disclosure of the following information on the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.:

1. The results of any ballistics tests.
2. The results of any spectrographic or neutron activation analyses.
3. The results of any scientific tests made on the dent in the windowsill of the bathroom window from which Dr. King was allegedly shot.
4. The results of any scientific tests performed on the butts, ashes or other cigarette remains found in the white Mustang abandoned in Atlanta after Dr. King's assassination and all reports made in regard to said cigarette remains.
5. All photographs or sketches of any suspects in the assassination of Dr. King.
6. All photographs from whatever source taken at the scene of the crime on April 4th or April 5th, 1968.
7. All information, documents, or reports made available to any author or writer, including but not limited to Clay Blair, Jeremiah O'Leary, George McMillan, Gerold Frank, and William Bradford Huie.

This request for disclosure is made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, as amended by Public Law 93-502, 83 Stat. 561.

Sincerely yours,

Jim Lesar

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LABORATORY ADDENDUM

J. W. Kilty:rlc

11/14/75 (Enclosures 8)

It appears that Items 1 through 4 of Lesar's letter of April 15, 1975, and all four items in Leiser's letter of September 5, 1975, are Laboratory matters.

Two copies of each item are being enclosed with this addendum.

The items are as follows:

- ✓ (1) Laboratory report dated April 17, 1968, which sets out results of firearms examinations mentioned in Lesar's and Leiser's letters.
- ✓ (2) Laboratory worksheet containing notes concerning the firearms examinations.
- ✓ (3) Laboratory report, worksheet and notes containing the results of spectrographic and neutron activation examinations of bullets.
- (4) Worksheet and notes concerning the spectrographic analyses of areas of clothing.
- (5) Worksheet and notes concerning the firearms examinations conducted on clothing.
- (6) Laboratory report, airtel, worksheet and notes concerning the examination of a portion of windowsill.
- (7) Laboratory report dated April 19, 1968, which lists items recovered during search of 1966 white Mustang.
- (8) Eleven photographs and photomicrographs of the windowsill area, the muzzle of a weapon and mechanism markings.

None of these items has been released to the public.

Item 4 in Lesar's letter asks for "the results of any scientific tests performed on the butts, ashes or other cigarette remains found in the white Mustang..." Review of the pertinent worksheets and reports has determined that no cigarette butts were recovered during the search of the Mustang. The report dated April 19, 1968, sets out the items that were recovered.

Twenty hours of agent time were utilized in this matter. The cost of printing the photographs is approximately \$20.00, which is the cost of 48 photographs some of which are being retained for future requests. This is \$1.40 per photograph. John Kilty advised 11/20 - 664 photos are 3.00 per photo.